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16	CHELSEA, LLC, MARK RUSSO, ALLEN DORETZ, and IVAN SIMPSON,	Case No. C 07 05800 (SC)
	individually and on behalf of all others	DECLARATION OF ANNE M.
17	similarly situated,	MORIARTY IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT REGAL STONE, LTD.'S
18	Plaintiffs,	RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS'
19	vs.	MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND VERIFIED FIRST AMENDED
20		COMPLAINT
21	SHIPPING, CO., LTD., CONTI CAIRO	^
22	KG, NSB NEIDERELBE, SYNERGY   MARITIME, LTD., <i>IN PERSONAM</i> , M/V	
23	COSCO BUSAN, their engines, tackle,	) 
24	equipment, appurtenances, freights, and () cargo IN REM,	
25	Defendant.	
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DECLARATION OF ANNE M. MORIARTY IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT REGAL STONE, LTD.'S NON-OPPOSITION AND RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND VERIFIED FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT - Case No. C 07 05800 (SC)

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#### I, ANNE M. MORIARTY, declare as follows:

- 1. I am an attorney at law licensed to practice before this Court and am an associate with the law firm of Keesal, Young & Logan, attorneys for Defendants REGAL STONE, LTD. and M/V COSCO BUSAN in this matter. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth below and, if called upon to testify as a witness, could testify competently thereto.
- 2. Beginning in March 2008, NSB Neiderelbe ("NSB") and Conti Cairo ("Conti") provided Plaintiffs with documents proving that Conti and NSB did not own or manage the COSCO BUSAN at the time of the oil spill.
- 3. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of a letter from Julie Taylor to William Audet and Michael McShane with enclosures, dated March 5, 2008.
- 4. Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is a true and correct copy of a letter from Annie Moriarty to William Audet and Michael McShane with enclosures, dated April 7, 2008.
- 5. Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is a true and correct copy of a letter from Annie Moriarty to William Audet with enclosures, dated April 11, 2008.
- 6. At the Case Management Conference on April 25, 2008, Plaintiffs' counsel, William Audet, stated words to the effect that if the parties could work out a "tolling agreement" Plaintiffs would voluntarily dismiss NSB and Conti.
- 7. On May 27, 2008, Plaintiffs provided a draft stipulation allowing Plaintiffs to file an amended complaint. A true and correct copy of the draft stipulation is attached hereto as Exhibit 4.
- 8. On May 28, 2008, Defendants requested that Plaintiffs provide a copy of the proposed amended complaint before agreeing to such a stipulation. A true and correct copy of a string of e-mails between William Audet and Annie Moriarty are attached hereto as Exhibit 5.

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1	9. On June 6, 2008, Plaintiffs provided a copy of their proposed
2	amended complaint to Defendants. Defendants informed Plaintiffs that Defendants
3	would not stipulate to the filing of the proposed amended complaint as drafted and
4	pressed Plaintiffs to honor their promise to dismiss NSB and Conti. After meeting and
5	conferring on Thursday, June 12, 2008, the parties were unable to agree on a
6	stipulation.
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8	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California
9	that the foregoing is true and correct.
10	Executed this 3rd day of July 2008, at San Francisco, California.
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> Re: Chelsea LLC, et al. v. Regal Stone, Ltd., et al. Our File No.: 2418-230

Dear Messrs. Audet and McShane:

As you know, we represent Regal Stone Limited in the above referenced matter. We are writing to formally request that you dismiss Conti Cairo KG ("Conti Cairo") and NSB Neiderelbe ("NSB") from this matter. As you and my partner John Giffin have previously discussed, Conti Cairo and NSB did not own the COSCO BUSAN at the time of the oil spill on November 7, 2007.

On February 13, 2008, Mr. Giffin asked you to dismiss Conti Cairo and NSB. You informed him that you would do so if we could provide documents showing that, as of November 7, 2007, neither company owned or managed the COSCO BUSAN.

Enclosed please find documents that show that neither Conti Cairo or NSB owned the COSCO BUSAN on November 7, 2007.

> Bill of Sale for the COSCO BUSAN, dated October 15, 2007. 1. This document shows the Transferor as Conti Cairo and the Transferee as Regal Stone Limited;

William M. Audet, Esq. Michael McShane, Esq. March 5, 2008 Page 2

> Re: Chelsea LLC, et al. v. Regal Stone, Ltd., et al. Our File No.: 2418-230

- 2. Certified Copy of the "Transcript of Register" from the Hong Kong Marine Department, dated October 30, 2007. This document shows the owner of the COSCO BUSAN as Regal Stone Limited; and
- 3. Ship Management Agreement between Conti Cairo and NSB, dated June 25, 2001. The original Ship Management Agreement ("Agreement") is in German. We arranged to translate the Agreement to English. We have attached the certificate of authorization. Section 8, No. 4 of the Agreement states: "This agreement shall end with the sale or total loss of the vessel."

Please inform us of whether you intend to voluntarily dismiss Conti Cairo and NSB based on the enclosed. If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned.

Best regards,

Julie L. Taylor

julie.taylor@kyl.com

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 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Sensitive portions of this agreement have been redacted. Parties to this agreement have not been redacted.

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## TRANSCRIPT OF REGISTER

船舶註册紀錄册抄本

PARTICULARS OF SHIP 資 料

Name of Ship 船名

COSCO BUSAN

IMO No.

9231743

Port of Registry 註冊港

HONG KONG 香港

Call Sign 呼 號

VRDI6

Official No. 註册編號

HK-2012

**Date of Registry** 註冊日期

國際海事組織編號

30-OCT-2007

Type of Ship

CONTAINER

Material of Hull 船體材料

STEEL

船舶類型

**Date Keel Laid** 能骨安放日期

25 JUNE 2001

Name and Address of Builder HYUNDAI HEAVY IND. CO., LTD.

造船廠名稱、地址

1, CHEONHA-DONG, DONG-GU, ULSAN 682-792, REP. OF KOREA.

Length

長度

265.060 metres

Breadth 寬度

40.000 metres

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型深

20.160 metres

**Gross Tonnag** 

總噸位

65,131 tons

**Net Tonnage** 淨噸位

34,078 tons

主機種類

Main Engine Type DIESEL

Engine Make and Model

HYUNDAI 10 K 9BMC-C

主機名稱、型號

No. of Sets of Engine 1

**Total Engine Power** 

57100 KW

主機台數

主機總功率

How Propelled

推進裝置

**PROPELLER** 

No. of Shafts

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PARTICULARS OF OWNER(S) / REPRESENTATIVE PERSON 船東 / 代表人資料

Total Interest in the Ship 船舶權益總額: 100 Percentage

Name of Representative Person and Address 代表人姓名 / 名稱及地址

FLEET MANAGEMENT LIMITED RM. 1603, 16/F, MASSMUTUAL TOWER, 38 GLOUCESTER ROAD, HONG KONG.

> Name, Address, and Description of Owners 船東姓名 / 名稱、地址等資料

Percentage of Interest Held 權益百分比數目

100.00

REGAL STONE LIMITED RM. 1603, 16/F, MASSMUTUAL TOWER, 38 GLOUCESTER ROAD, HONG KONG.

Place of Incorporation/Registration 公司成立/注册地點:

HONG KONG

DETAILS OF MORTGAGE 抵押資料

Mortgage Code 抵押编码: A

Property of Ship Affected 所涉及船舶财產權: 100 Percentage

Name of Mortgagor

抵押人姓名/名稱

REGAL STONE LIMITED

Place of Incorporation/Registration

公司成立/註冊地點

HONG KONG

Name and Address of Mortgagee 抵押權人姓名/名稱、地址

CITIBANK, N.A.

CITICORP CENTRE, 33 CANADA SQUARE,

CANARY WHARF,

LONDON E14 5LB.

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DETAILS OF MORTGAGE 抵押資料

Date & Hour of Registry 註冊日期、時間 24-OCT-2007 19:05

**Nature of Transaction** 抵押细節

MORTGAGE "A" DATED 24 OCTOBER 2007 TO SECURE OBLIGATION(S) PURSUANT TO: (1) LOAN AGREEMENT DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 2007; (2) MASTER AGREEMENT DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 2007 BETWEEN (1) THE MORTGAGEE, AS PARTY A AND (2) VIVID MIND LIMITED, CHARMING ENERGETIC LIMITED, DYNAMIC CONTINENTAL LIMITED, PERPETUAL JOY LIMITED AND THE MORTGAGOR, AS PARTY B; (3) MASTER AGREEMENT DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 2007 BETWEEN (1) BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC, AS PARTY A, AND (2) VIVID MIND LIMITED, CHARMING ENERGETIC LIMITED, DYNAMIC CONTINENTAL LIMITED, PERPETUAL JOY LIMITED AND THE MORTGAGOR, AS PARTY B; (4) DEED OF COVENANT DATED 24 OCTOBER 2007; (5) AGENCY AND TRUST DEED DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 2007; (6) MASTER AGREEMENT SECURITY DEED DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 2007; (7) ACCOUNT SECURITY DEED DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 2007; (8) NAUTILUS GUARANTEE DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 2007; (9) SHARE PLEDGES DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 2007; (10) THE OTHER FINANCE DOCUMENTS AS DEFINED AND REFERRED TO IN CLAUSE 1.1 OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT MENTIONED ABOVE TO WHICH THE MORTGAGOR IS OR WILL BE A PARTY.

I hereby certify that the foregoing printed particulars are a true extract from the Register now in my charge, showing the descriptive particulars, registered ownership and details of mortgage of this vessel "COSCO BUSAN" - Official Number HK-2012, as at 30th October 2007.

蓝證明上文所印資料為本人主管的船舶註册紀錄册的真確摘錄,以示截至 2007 年 10 月 30 日為止, 本船的一般資料、註册所有權,以及抵押資料。

This Transcript of Register was issued on 29th February 2008 at 14:52.

本船舶註冊紀錄冊抄本發出日期、時間為 2008 年 2 月 29 日 14 時 52 分。

WU Kwong Shing (Assistant Registrar) Registrar of Ships 船舶註冊官

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#### SHIP MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

between

CONTI 1. Container Schiffahrts-GmbH & Co. KG MS "CONTI CAIRO"

- hereinafter referred to as "the Shipping Company" -

and

NSB Niederelbe Schiffahrtsgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG, Buxtehude - hereinafter referred to as "the Ship Manager" -

The following ship management agreement has been concluded between the above parties:

§1

Following handover to the Shipping Company, the Ship Manager shall be appointed contract carrier for the motor vessel MS "CONTI CAIRO"

Construction no. 1381

belonging to the Hyundai Corporation, Seoul, South Korea and Hyundai Heavy Industries Co. Ltd., Ulsan, South Korea.

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- 2. Termination of the ship management agreement shall not exclude the possibility of terminating the ship management agreement for good cause.
- 3. This agreement must be terminated in writing.
- 4. This agreement shall end with the sale or total loss of the vessel.

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1. In the event that individual provisions in this agreement become null and void or ineffective, this shall not affect the legal validity of the remainder of the agreement. The null and void or ineffective provisions shall be reinterpreted so as to achieve the original economic purpose intended.

Putzbrunn/Baxtehude, 6/25/2001

[signature]

[signature]

CONTI 1. Container Schiffahrts-GmbH & Co. KG MS "CONTI CAIRO"

NSB Niederelbe Schiffahrtsgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG

# BEREEDERUNGSVERTRAG

#### zwischen der

### CONTI 1. Container Schiffahrts-GmbH & Co. KG MS "CONTI CAIRO"

- nachstehend Reederei genannt -

#### und der

NSB Niederelbe Schiffahrtsgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG, Buxtehude - nachstehend Bereederer genannt -

wird folgender Bereederungsvertrag geschlossen:

§ 1

Der Bereederer wird ab Ablieferung an die Reederei zum Vertragsreeder für das Motorschiff MS " CONTI CAIRO"

Bau-Nr. 1381

der Hyundai Corporation, Seoul, Südkorea, und der Hyundai Heavy Industries Co. Ltd., Ulsan, Südkorea, bestellt.

**REDACTED** 

- 2. Eine Kündigung des Bereederungsvertrages aus wichtigem Grunde wird hierdurch nicht
- 3. Jede Kündigung bedarf der schriftlichen Form.
- 4. Dieser Vertrag endet mit Verkauf oder Totalverlust des Schiffes.

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1. Sollten einzelne Bestimmungen dieses Vertrages nichtig sein oder unwirksam werden, so soll dies die Rechtswirksamkeit des übrigen Vertragsinhaltes nicht berühren. Die nichtigen oder unwirksamen Bestimmungen sind so umzudeuten, dass der mit ihnen beabsichtigte wirtschaftliche Zweck erreicht wird.

Putzbrunn/Buxtehude, den 25.06.2001

. Container Schiffahrts-GmbH & Co. KG

MS "CONTI CAIRO"

NSB Niederelbe Schiffahrtsgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG

Filed 07/03/2008



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I, Katharine Perekslis, hereby certify that the document "Ship Management Agreement" is, to the best of my knowledge "and belief, a true and accurate translation from German

into English.

Sworn to before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2008

Signature, Notary(Public

Pamela Boyle Notary Public, State of New York No. 01BO6181278

Qualified in NEW YORK County Commission Expires Jan 28,

Stamp, Notary Public

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> Re: Chelsea LLC, et al. v. Regal Stone, Ltd., et al. Our File No.: 2418-229

Dear Messrs. Audet and McShane:

As you know, we represent Regal Stone Limited in the above referenced matter. We are writing once again to formally request that you dismiss Conti Cairo KG ("Conti Cairo") and NSB Neiderelbe ("NSB") from this action. Conti Cairo, former owners, and NSB, former managers, did not own or operate the COSCO BUSAN at the time of the oil spill on November 7, 2007, and therefore are not proper parties to this action.

We have previously provided you with documents showing that neither Conti Cairo or NSB owned or managed the COSCO BUSAN at the time of the oil spill. Enclosed you will find declarations signed by the president of NSB and the Managing Directors of Conti Cairo which state under penalty of perjury that Conti Cairo sold the vessel on October 24, 2007. As of this date, Conti Cairo and NSB's obligations as former owners and managers of the vessel terminated. Furthermore, on the date of the sale, insurance coverage obtained for the benefit of Conti Cairo and NSB was cancelled. After that date, it was the responsibility of the vessel's new owners to obtain insurance coverage.

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In addition, we have enclosed documentation evidencing the cancellation of insurance coverage obtained for the benefit of Conti Cairo and NSB.

- Certificate of Entry showing original insurance period as 1. February 20, 2007 - February 20, 2008;
- Vessel Addendum amending the end of the insurance period 2. from February 20, 2008 to October 24, 2007 (the date of the sale).

We trust that in light of these documents, as well as documents previously provided, you will agree to voluntarily dismiss Conti Cairo and NSB from this action. Please inform us whether you intend to do so. As you know, Conti Cairo and NSB are prepared to take the steps necessary to file a Motion to Dismiss and seek Rule 11 sanctions if you continue to refuse to voluntarily dismiss them.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

**Anne Moriarty** 

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# CERTIFICATE OF ENTRY

### **Protection & Indemnity Insurance**

Risk Ref. No.:

2007PI0081 - 9231743

Legal Assured:

NSB Niederelbe

As managers

Schiffahrtsgesellschaft mbH

& Co. KG

Vessel:

COSCO BUSAN

IMO No:

9231743

GT:

65,131

Built:

2001

Period of Insurance:

From 20-Feb-2007, 1200 GMT (0) until 20-Feb-2008, 1200 GMT (0)

#### **Main Conditions**

This is to certify that above-named Assured is a Member of The Swedish Club and that the vessel stated above is entered with The Swedish Club for Protection & Indemnity Insurance on full cover as per current Rules for Protection & Indemnity. The limit of liability for Oil Pollution is USD 1,000,000,000. In respect of P&I Excess War Risk Cover the limit is USD 500,000,000 and in respect of certain war and terrorist risk the liabilities arising from Bio-Chem etc, the limit is USD 30,000,000.

Subject always to the Rules of the Association and the terms of entry for the Assured, the following is included in the cover:

Liability for pollution (caused by a spillage of oil or any hazardous and noxious substances) (Rule 6)

Wreck Removal liability (Rule 7 section 5)

In respect of the risks insured hereunder, to the extent the Member is insured for pollution risks under any other Insurance, cover hereunder shall be null, void and of no effect, up to the limits of said other insurance. Above the limits of said other insurance, cover under this insurance shall remain in effect, subject always to the limits herein which are applicable to such risks, to any deductible(s), and to the other terms, conditions and Club Rules. In the event the limits available under such other insurance are the same

as or greater than the limits available for pollution losses under this insurance, then this insurance shall be null, void and of no effect with regard to such claims. In the event the limits of said other insurance are less than the limits available hereunder, this insurance shall respond up to the limits set forth herein for pollution losses, but only for the amount by which any such losses exceed the stated limits of such other insurance, and then only up to the limits set forth herein for pollution losses. This insurance shall respond only in excess of the stated limits of the other insurance, whether or not the full amount of such other policy limits, or any amount at all, is recoverable thereunder.

Notwithstanding the Terms of Rule (11:6), this insurance will not provide any recovery in respect of liabilities insured under any other insurance, or provide pro rated or allocated cover, on the basis of double insurance or otherwise, except as set forth above; nor will this insurance replace any other insurance where (for whatever reason) that other insurance does not or is not able to respond to a claim thereunder.

This certificate of entry is evidence only of the contract of indemnity insurance between the above named Member(s) and the Association and shall not be construed as evidence of any undertaking, financial or otherwise, on the part of the Association to any other party.

In the event that a Member tenders this certificate as evidence of insurance under any applicable law relating to financial responsibility, or otherwise shows or offers it to any other party as evidence of insurance, such use of this Certificate by the Member is not to be taken as any indication that the Association thereby consents to act as guarantor or to be sued directly in any jurisdiction whatsoever. The Association does not so consent.

Göteborg, 12-Feb-2007

Sveriges Ångfartygs Assurans Förening

The Swedish Club

Attachment to Risk Ref. No: 2007P10081 - 9231743

Vessel:

**COSCO BUSAN** 

Deductibles

USD

5,000 Cargo liability

USD

2,500 Crew liability

USD

5,000 Other P&I risks

The deductible for cargo liability is for each single voyage, all other deductibles applicable on each accident or occurrence, unless otherwise stated.

The deductible for cargo liability to be increased by 100% for liability in respect of damage to cargo caused by leaking hatches and/or hull. This deductible is also applied in respect of liability to passenger's belongings and/or luggage.

Trading:

World wide

Joint Member(s):

Conti 1. Container

As owners

Schiffahrts- GmbH & Co. KG

MS "CONTI CAIRO"

Co-Assured(s):

Columbia Shipmanagement

Ltd.

The interest of the following Mortgagee(s) / Assignee(s) is noted:

Mortgagee(s):

HSH Nordbank AG

Deutsche Schiffsbank Commerzbank AG, Filiale

Hamburg

#### **Special Conditions**

Rule 3, section 1(b) - excluded insofar as this liability is covered by social security schemes or additional insurance is arranged by the Member or his Agents. (Relates to crew illness etc.)

Rule 3, section 2, first paragraph - excluded insofar as this liability is covered by social security schemes or additional insurance is arranged by the Member or his Agents. (Relates to crew wages etc.)

Rule 4, section 2, first paragraph - excluded (relates to through transport)

Rule 7, section 2(a) - excluded but excess collision liability covered. (Relates to 1/4ths collision liability)

Rule 7, section 3, first paragraph - excluded but excess liability covered. (Relates to liability for fixed and floating objects.)



# Vessel Addendum

Risk Ref No:

Client:

Sub Class: Insurance Period: 2007PI0081

NSB Niederelbe Schiffahrtsgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG

Protection & Indemnity Insurance

20-Feb-2007 - 19-Feb-2008

Vessel	IMO	Description	Туре	New Value	Effective From
COSCO BUSAN	9231743	Period To	Amendment	24 Oct 2007	20-Fcb-2007

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Case 3:07-cv-05800-SC

27 28 set forth in this Declaration, and if called to testify, I could and would competently testify to those matters.

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Executed this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of April 2008, in Munich, Germany. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America and the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Josef Sedlmeyr

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Dear Mr. Audet:

We are writing to respond your letter, dated April 8, 2008, in which you indicated that you would discuss the issue of whether you would agree to voluntarily dismiss NSB Neiderlbe ("NSB") and Conti Cairo KG ("Conti Cairo") with your co-counsel.

You continue to mistakenly assert, without any supporting authority. that even though NSB and Conti Cairo did not own or manage the COSCO BUSAN at the time of the spill, they are not absolved from liability under maritime law. We are unaware of any legal basis, even theoretical, that would support such a contention under the instant circumstances. If you are aware of any supporting authority we ask that you immediately bring it to our attention.

You also appear to be concerned that because this is a class action we need to seek court approval even for a voluntary dismissal. It is our experience that obtaining court approval for a voluntary dismissal is not a difficult process. Furthermore, upon receiving documents (which we have previously provided to you) showing that NSB and Conti Cairo were not owners or managers of the COSCO BUSAN at the time of the spill, we are confident that the Court will readily approve the dismissal of these improper parties. Of course, NSB and Conti Cairo will fully

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USDC Case No. C-07-5800-SC

Our File No.: 2418-229

cooperate in this process. As far as agreeing to a "class tolling agreement", we assume that you mean that should Plaintiffs voluntarily dismiss NSB and Conti Cairo they would do so without prejudice. We would appreciate clarification.

You have also previously relayed your concern that the United States Coast Guard was looking into NSB and Conti Cairo's involvement into the spill. In fact, on March 12, 2008, Conti Cairo received a letter from Commander P.D. Thorne, United States Coast Guard. In that letter, Commander Thorne stated that documents taken from the vessel indicated that Conti Cairo was the COSCO BUSAN's owner, operator, or managing operator. However, in a subsequent letter, dated April 1, 2008, Commander Thorne recognized that Conti Cairo was a *former* owner of the vessel and that he sent the previous letter to Conti Conti in error. He apologized for the confusion and updated the Coast Guard's files. We have enclosed these letters, with the sensitive portions redacted, and trust that they will provide you will further assurance that NSB and Conti Cairo should be dismissed from this lawsuit.

We intend to bring to the Court's attention at the upcoming Case Management Conference the fact that we have provided you with documentation and declarations proving that NSB and Conti Cairo are not proper parties to this lawsuit. We will also advise the Court that if Plaintiffs do not voluntarily dismiss NSB and Conti Cairo, Defendants will specially appear in order to file a Motion to Dismiss.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss these matters further.

Very truly yours,

Annie Moriarty

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Conti Cairo KG Harburger Strasse 47-51 21614 Buxtehude Germany

Dear Sir/Madam:

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On November 09, 2007, the COSCO BUSAN, 9231743, was subject to a Port State Control safety-related detention by the United States Coast Guard in the port of San Francisco, California. Information taken from the vessel's documents indicate that you are the vessel's owner, operator, or managing operator.

You may request reconsideration of a decision by the COTP directly to the official who issued the order. Please refer to Title 46, Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 1.03 for more information. Furthermore, if you believe that you are not the detained vessel's owner, operator, manager and/or charterer, you should immediately provide documentation to substantiate your claim to the above address.

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If you provide evidence that you are the owner, operator or managing operator of at least 25 vessels that visit U.S. ports, your company will not appear on the targeted Ship Management List unless you are associated with at least three detentions within 12 months. Please refer to the following web site for more information:

http://homeport.uscg.mil/mycg/portal/ep/programView.do?channelId=18371programId=21428

You may also visit our general website, which has information on U.S. PSC policies and procedures, including ISM Code enforcement and our risk-based boarding program as well as links to other regional MOU's on PSC and the International Maritime Organization (IMO):

http://homeport.uscg.mil/mycg/portal/ep/browse.do?channelId=18371

Sincerely,

Commander, U.S. Coast Guard

Chief, Foreign and Offshore Vessels Division

By direction

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
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Dear Sir/Ma'am:

I reviewed the information regarding the Owner/Operators associated with the November 9, 2007 detention of the M/V COSCO BUSAN, IMO # 9231743, and have determined Contri Cairo was a previous registered owner of this vessel.

It has come to our attention that your company inadvertently received our letter. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused and have updated our files. Please inform us if our corrective actions are in error.

If you have any further questions about this matter, please call Lieutenant Commander Frances Fazio or myself at the above phone number.

Sincerely,

P. D. THORNE

Commander U.S. Coast Guard

Chief, Foreign Vessel and Offshore Activities

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## Moriarty, Annie

From:

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Tuesday, May 27, 2008 3:26 PM

To:

Moriarty, Annie Adel Nadji

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1	WHEREAS, Plaintiffs filed their class action Complaint in this matter on November 15,					
2	2007;					
3	WHEREAS, Plaintiffs have been provided with updated information concerning the					
4	ownership of the M/V Cosco Busan and obtained additional information relating to the litigation					
5	WHEREAS, Plaintiffs intend to dismiss two defendants and add two additional					
6	defendants;					
7	WHEREAS, Defendants have consented to Plaintiffs amending the Complaint;					
8	THEREFORE, the parties stipulate to the filing of a first amended complaint, a copy of					
9	which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.					
10	SO STIPULATED,					
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12	Dated: May, 2008 AUDET & PARTNERS, LLP					
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15	Michael McShane					
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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 28, 2008 9:20 AM

To: 'William Audet'

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Thank you. Once we receive the proposed amended complaint, we'll have a better idea if any edits are necessary. It should not take long for us to let you know about the edits.

### **Annie Moriarty**

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Thank you for you stipulation. However, we need to see a copy of your

proposed amended complaint before we can agree to sign the stipulation. When do you expect to get us a copy of the proposed amended complaint?

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